

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 - 28 (Canceled)

Claim 29. (Previously presented) A method for minimizing weight gain in a patient taking a psychotropic active compound comprising administering to said patient a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 30. (Previously presented) A method for minimizing weight gain in a patient taking a mood altering drug comprising administering to said patient a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 31. (Previously presented) A method for minimizing weight gain in a patient taking an unconventional antipsychotic drug comprising administering to said patient a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 32. (Currently amended) A method for minimizing weight gain in a patient taking a psychotropic active compound which is selected from a group consisting of [olanzapine,] clozapine, risperidone, quetiapine fumarate, divalproex, olanzapine and mirtazapine comprising administering to said patient a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 33. (Currently amended) The method of Claims 29, 30, 31 or 32 ~~1, 2, 3 or 4~~ where the histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist is selected from the group consisting of nizatidine, famotidine, cimetidine, and ranitidine.

Claim 34. (Currently amended) The process of Claims 29, 30, 31 or 32 ~~1, 2, 3 or 4~~ wherein the histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist is given separately from the psychotropic drugs.

Claim 35. (Previously presented) A psycho tropically active controlled weight gain drug composition comprising a safe and effective amount of a psycho tropically active drug in combination with a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 36. (Previously presented) A mood altering controlled weight gain drug composition comprising of a safe and effective amount of mood altering drug in combination with a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 37. (Currently amended) An antipsychotic controlled weight gain drug composition comprising of a safe and effective amount of an [unconventional] antipsychotic drug in combination with a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 38. (Previously presented) A psychotropically active controlled weight gain drug composition comprising of a safe and effective amount of an psychotropic active compound which is selected from the group consisting of olanzapine, clozapine, risperidone, quetiapine fumarate, divalproex, olanzapine and mirtazapine in combination with a safe and effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist.

Claim 39. (Currently amended) The composition of Claims 35, 36, 37 or 38, ~~1, 2, 3 or 4~~ wherein the histamine H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonist is selected from the group consisting of nizatidine, famotidine, cimetidine, and ranitidine.

Claims 32 and 37 have been amended to overcome rejections based on 35 USC § 112 in paragraph 5 of the Office Action. Claims 33, 34 and 39 have been amended to correct improper claim dependency.